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SUBJECT: SOVEMBASSY NOTE ABOUT PLANNED DEMONSTRATION IN
NEW YORK

1. DURING APRIL 29 CALL ON EUR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY
ARMITAGE, SOVIET EMBASSY MINISTER COUNSELOR VASEV PRESENTED
NOTE CALLING ON DEPARTMENT TO ASSURE PROTECTION FOR SOVIET
ESTABLISHMENTS AND PERSONNEL IN NEW YORK DURING PLANNED
MAY 2 "ANTI-SOVIET DEMONSTRATION" (I.E., SOLIDARITY DAY
RALLY). ARMITAGE REPLIED THAT DEPARTMENT WOULD BE IN
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TOUCH WITH POLICE AUTHORITIES AND WOULD TAKE ALL APPRO-

PRIATE MEASURES TO ASSURE PROTECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF
RELEVANT LAWS.

2. INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF NOTE FOLLOWS:

3. QUOTE THE EMBASSY OF THE USSR CONSIDERS IT NECESSARY
TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE THE
FOLLOWING.

4. RECENTLY ZIONIST ELEMENTS IN NEW YORK HAVE BEGUN TO
PREPARE THEIR NEXT ANTI-SOVIET DEMONSTRATION ON MAY 2.
WITH THIS GOAL IN MIND, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED
BY THE EMBASSY, THEY ARE CONDUCTING, INTER ALIA THROUGH
THE PRESS, A CAMPAIGN AMONG THE POPULATION OF THE CITY.
5. IT IS ALSO KNOWN T;AT THE ORGANIZERS OF THIS DEMON-
STRATION INTEND TO DIRECT THE CROWD TO THE BUILDING OF
THE SOVIET MISSION TO THE UN, THUS THREATENING THE
SAFETY OF SOVIET CITIZENS WORKING AND LIVING THERE, SINCE
THE HABITS OF ZIONIST ELEMENTS ARE WELL KNOWN. THEY HAVE
RECENTLY RESORTED TO TERRORIST ACTS SUCH AS SHOOTING AT
, AND SETTING OFF EXPLOSIONS NEAR, BUILDINGS, ETC. THERE
IS THE APPREHENSION THAT THIS DEMONSTRATION COULD GET
OUT OF CONTROL OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND POLICE, AND
TRAGIC CONSEQUENCES WOULD RESULT.

6. CONSIDERING THE ABOVE, THE EMBASSY, DRAWING THE
DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION TO THE ANTI-SOVIET ACTION BEING
PLANNED BY ZIONIST ELEMENTS IN NEW YORK, INSISTS THAT
THE COMPETENT AMERICAN AUTHORITIES PUT INTO EFFECT
MEASURES TO GUARANTEE THE COMPLETE SAFETY OF SOVIET
PERSONNEL AND ESTABLISHMENTS, AND IN PARTICULAR THE
BANNING OF ANY HOSTILE DEMONSTRATION IN THE DIRECT
VICINITY OF THE BUILDING OF THE SOVIET MISSION TO THE UN
AND OF OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS WHERE SOVIET CITIZENS WORK
AND RESIDE. ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR NOT PUTTING INTO
EFFECT THE NECESSARY MEASURES AND THE POSSIBLE CONSE-
QUENCES OF THIS WILL BE BORNE BY THE AMERICAN SIDE.
END QUOTE

7. DEPARTMENT WOULD BE GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE FROM USUN
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A BRIEF SUMMARY OF PLANNED PROTECTION FOR SOVIET ESTAB-
LISHMENTS DURING SOLIDARITY DAY RALLY. SISCO

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